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Lt. Governor Peter Kinder names Vangie Webb of Kansas City as Senior Service Award Winner

Award recognizes volunteer work by Missouri Seniors

JEFFERSON CITY – Missouri Lt. Governor Peter Kinder on Wednesday (May 8) announced 35 winners of the Lieutenant Governor's Senior Service Award, including Vangie Webb of Kansas City.

Lt. Governor Kinder presented the awards at a luncheon for the winners and their guests outside his office in the Capitol. Webb was nominated by Elizabeth Griffith of the Clay County Public Health Center in Liberty.

Webb volunteers at the health center as a PEPPI peer leader, teaching a weekly exercise class to older adults. She also is a "Matter of Balance" coach, teaching older adults how to reduce their risk factors for falls. Webb also assists with seasonal flu clinics and other activities at the Clay County Public Health Center's health department.

In her nomination, Griffith called Webb a "selfless person with a huge heart."

"Vangie brings such valuable skills we should be paying her a grand salary, but instead she asks nothing of us, just 'what else can be done?" Griffith said.

Webb was unable to attend Wednesday's award ceremony. Lt. Governor Kinder will present her with an official declaration and a Senior Service Award lapel pin.

"Vangie Webb sets an example for all Missourians with her kindness and willingness to serve her community and seniors at the Clay County Public Health Center," Kinder said. "Her selfless service is an inspiration to all who know her."

Kinder this year received more than 150 nominations for the Senior Service Award, naming 34 winners representing the state's 34 Senatorial Districts and one at-large winner. Webb won in District 34.